

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 835
By Cohen

A RESOLUTION to commend John R. Marek for outstanding and exemplary service as a private intern for Senator Steve Cohen.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, John Marek is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Senator Steve Cohen; Mr. Marek's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marek has proven himself to be adept in every aspect of legislative employment, excelling in everything from attaining the daily news to researching legislative projects; and

WHEREAS, John Marek is a true leader among his peers, being the current President of the College Democrats at the University of Memphis and a member of the Pre-Law Society, the Political Science Honor's Society, and the Golden Keys International Honor's Society; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marek has received numerous accolades during his collegiate career; he earned placement on the Dean's List, National Dean's List, and the Chancellor's List, and is a past President of Phi Theta Kappa and the Diversity Club; and

WHEREAS, John Marek, a senior at the University of Memphis and a political junkie, plans to return someday to the State Capitol as a member of this legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Marek brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2006 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, he has been an invaluable asset to Suite Eight, and has enabled Craig Dulniak and Micki Yearwood to navigate this session by being dedicated and loyal, passionate and persistent, and an intriguing and engaging fellow; and

WHEREAS, voted "Biggest Democrat," Mr. Marek was elected Speaker Pro-Tempore in the Intern Mock Election and was voted "Most Prompt" by Suite Eight; and

WHEREAS, John Marek's good nature and easy-going personality make him a pleasure to be around, and he will be greatly missed by his peers and superiors alike, especially Senator Cohen's staff; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2006 legislative session, Mr. Marek has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize and commend those interns who have faithfully served this State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend John R. Marek for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Steve Cohen and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.